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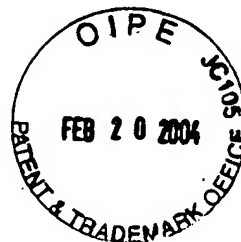
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 27, 2004, for which Response is being submitted before the due date of February 27, 2004.

Restriction was made with respect to the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-26, drawn to the product.
- II. Claims 27-37, drawn to the process of making.

Applicants hereby elect Group II, Claims 27-37, drawn to the process of making.


Applicants do not agree with the statement: "this special technical feature does not define a contribution over the prior art."

By this present submission, Applicants make no admission as to the correctness of the requirement and this submission is being made to further prosecution to allowable subject matter.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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